

# UNAFFILIATED RECERTIFICATION

Individuals who do not have an EMS agency to affiliate with need to follow the steps outlined below. Please read it carefully.

## ELIGIBILITY:

**MASSACHUSETTS ONLY CERTIFICATION**—Any person who is certified as a Massachusetts EMT (at any level), who **does not hold National Registry** status and is not currently associated with an ambulance service, EFR service or first responder agency is considered unaffiliated. Please note that many agencies, such as Ski Patrol, Police, or Search & Rescue may qualify for their own agency status. These organizations should consider setting up an agency. Discuss this option with the appropriate supervisor or training officer if you are associated with such an agency. *Before selecting unaffiliated, please ensure there is no other agency more appropriate to affiliate with.*

**Massachusetts & NREMT Certification**—National Registered EMTs should change to “inactive” status if they are not working for an agency and should not select “unaffiliated.” Nationally Registered EMTs will remain able to be Massachusetts certified EMTs if the status of their NREMT certification is “inactive”. Make sure to contact the NREMT by calling 614-888-4484 for help renewing your NREMT certification.

**HOW:** To affiliate with a regional EMS council, find the region you need in the agency drop down menu as: “Unaffiliated – Region [1 through 5]”. You will select the region based on your residential address. See below for a list of EMS regions and how to find which one you reside in.

**DOCUMENTATION:** You will need to retain and submit proof of any courses you have taken. For any courses you will need to list them on the “Unaffiliated Continuing Education Record Audit Sheet” and submit at least one of the following for each course:

- Copies of Course Completion Certificates
- Copies of OEMS Course Rosters
- Copies of Special Continuing Education Record

*Contact the EMS Region in which you reside for specific instructions on how to submit proof of approved course completion. In general, documentation is preferred to be submitted electronically.*

## REGIONAL EMS COUNCILS:

Region 1 – Western Massachusetts: <http://www.wmems.org/> - [wmems@wmems.org](mailto:wmems@wmems.org)

Region 2 – Central Massachusetts: <http://www.cmemsc.org/> - [tdixon@cmemsc.org](mailto:tdixon@cmemsc.org)

Region 3 – Northeastern Massachusetts: <http://www.neems.org/> - [neems@neems.org](mailto:neems@neems.org)

Region 4 – Metro Boston: <http://www.mbemsc.org/> - [RecertRegionIV@mbemsc.org](mailto:RecertRegionIV@mbemsc.org)

Region 5 – Southeastern Massachusetts: <http://www.semaems.com/> - [ems@semaems.com](mailto:ems@semaems.com)

*What region are you in?*

<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dph/emergency-services/trauma-region-map.pdf>

# OUT-OF-STATE RECERTIFICATION

Individuals who are not working for a Massachusetts EMS agency and not living in Massachusetts are considered OUT-OF-STATE and need to follow the steps outlined below. Please read it carefully.

**OVERVIEW:** You are considered out-of-state if you are not working for a Massachusetts EMS agency and not living in Massachusetts.

**Massachusetts only Certification:** You will need to affiliate as “MA Unaffiliated—Out of State” on the [massemt.org](http://massemt.org) website and follow the unaffiliated instructions above. The state EMS office will act as your “training officer.” You will need to email [oems.recert@state.ma.us](mailto:oems.recert@state.ma.us) and submit all of the course completion documentation as an unaffiliated person would to a regional office.

**Massachusetts & NREMT Certification:** You may not be participating in the NCCP (a program Massachusetts is participating in). You will need to recertify your NREMT certification based on the NREMT standards for the state in which you reside. Once you recertify your NREMT you will be eligible to complete STEP 3, the Massachusetts state application. You will not be eligible to affiliate with the “MA Unaffiliated—Out of State” or other unaffiliated agency. Make sure to contact the NREMT by calling 614-888-4484 for help renewing your NREMT certification.